

Saigon says cease-fire not so imminent; U.S. keeps mum

GON. — South Vietnam's president Nguyen Van Thieu and top officials yesterday dampened reports of an imminent cease-fire in the Vietnam war. At the same time, President Nixon's press secretary, General Alexander Haig, said another hour-long meeting with President Thieu to discuss the Vietnam war was taking place. South Vietnamese sources said South Vietnam's decision on a halt in the war could have been decided to General Haig but there was no immediate indication of what decision might be.

The U.S. embassy would not say the substance of the meeting, it appeared that Mr. Haig gave General Haig some views on the revised draft treaty. General Haig waited in the wings day long while Mr. Thieu met 7 1/2 hours with his National Security Council and four military commanders at Independence Palace reportedly to discuss what a cease-fire would take to set the territory and people to controls once a cease-fire goes effect.

A semi-official newspaper, "Tin" which is used to project the government's thinking, yesterday quoted a leading pro-government Senator as saying that immediate demands by South Vietnam had to be dealt with before a cease-fire was reached. Senator Ton That Dinh, chairman of the Senate Defence Committee, said "Vietnam will not be able to a cease-fire agreement at this time."

The Saigon government's moves to alter reports of an imminent cease-fire came as the National Security Council met here again yesterday to consider what government was referred to as a revised peace accord. On Tuesday, General Haig on the night recent peace talks in Paris.

Senator Dinh's reported comment is a stiff denial by the Saigon government of an American radio report that a cease-fire had come into effect tomorrow and that North Vietnamese and South Vietnamese troops may launch a final attack before a cease-fire is announced.

The level of the war remained yesterday, although American aircraft carried out a heavy series of strikes on the northern military base, where North Vietnamese are most intense.

The Key Biscayne White House, President Nixon maintained a blackout on all Vietnam developments. The White House spokesman said yesterday he had spoken in Florida until this morning to complete work on his annual address for Saturday.

Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler, reporters Mr. Nixon conferred yesterday for 40 minutes with Henry Kissinger, his chief foreign affairs adviser, on the peace situation.

Ziegler also reported that Mr. Haig was sending reports to the White House on the status of the peace talks.

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Chinese missiles aimed at Moscow

'Pope would like to help'

Golda Meir returns from European trip

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — U.S. intelligence authorities have learned of Chinese preparations to deploy medium-range nuclear missiles apparently mainly aimed at the Soviet Union, informed sources said here yesterday. The Chinese missile would be the first capable of reaching major Soviet cities, including Moscow.

While details have not been confirmed, it is known that the Central Intelligence Agency told the Senate Armed Services Committee on January 8 that China was making progress faster than expected in deploying nuclear missiles.

The Chinese are believed to be making ready just under a dozen sites for medium range missiles, the sources said.

Unlike previous short-range Chinese missile installations, they are "hardened" sites — designed to resist a Soviet first strike.

According to some defense analysts here, China's progress toward a hard-site missile deployment is upsetting Soviet military planners.

It has been assumed here that continuing tensions along the Sino-Soviet border, which have occasionally broken out into shooting, have led the Soviet military authorities to develop contingency plans for a preemptive nuclear strike against China.

With hardened missile sites in China, the Russians could not be sure of carrying out this without some nuclear counter-attack against Soviet cities.

The U.S. assessment of speedy Chinese progress towards missile deployment was given to the Senate committee by the outgoing director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Mr. Richard Helms.

Following Mr. Helms' briefing, Republican Senator Strom Thurmond told reporters: "Red China has made tremendous progress, not only in the ability to build nuclear weapons, but to also deliver the nuclear weapons."

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

LOD AIRPORT. — Prime Minister Golda Meir upon returning from Geneva last night told newsmen that the Pope had told her he "would like to be helpful in the question of seeking peace in the Middle East." But he had not spoken of mediation she said.

Mrs. Meir, looking tired after her round of meetings in Europe, was answering a battery of questions after delivering a prepared statement to the press at the VIP room in Lod Airport.

Surrounded by members of the Cabinet, who had come to greet her, she said that the Pope was extremely interested in the question of achieving peace in the Middle East.

Asked when Mr. Felix Houphouet-Boigny would be ready to use his influence in Africa on Israel's behalf, she said:

"Your colleagues in Europe have decided to make a sensation out of this meeting. When I was on my trip I learned that a great friend and wonderful personality was spending his annual holiday in Switzerland and I thought that it would be the right thing to meet him and talk things over. He was very nice and he is a very wise man."

"We had a 3 1/2 hour long meeting. It was a long and frank talk that only friends can have on a wide range of subjects, including Africa, and we decided to work together."

In her prepared statement, Mrs. Meir said that on reaching Paris last Thursday arrangements for the meeting with the Pope and Italian leaders had already been completed.

"My meetings with the Italian President, Prime Minister and other Italian leaders were the friendliest possible," she said.

She said the meeting with the Pope lasted for 80 minutes, which she added, "was considered in Rome as a long meeting, and I thought it was a very good meeting."

The Pope told her it was a historic moment and she concurred with him emphatically. She described their meeting as "highly respectable, serious and frank," and said it was held at the Vatican's initiative, thus countering Vatican spokesmen who had said the opposite.

Mrs. Meir revealed that the meeting had been arranged by the Israeli Ambassador in Rome and the Secretary of State of the Vatican.

She said that the Pope thanked her a number of times for Israel's safeguarding of the Holy Sites.

She stressed that the statement issued after the meeting was agreed upon by both sides. "A few hours later the Vatican press department issued a note that was distributed in the Vatican press room. I think the first two or three sentences explain the rest," she said referring specifically to the introductory remarks of the Pope.

The Pope had previously received King Hussein and other Arab leaders.

Here Mrs. Meir remarked sharply, "Apparently our meeting was not viewed favourably by some people in the Vatican."

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Yugoslavs win 103:88 over Tel Aviv Maccabi

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

Tel Aviv. — Accurate shooting gave Red Star of Belgrade a 103:88 points victory over Tel Aviv Maccabi in the return tie of the European Cup basketball quarterfinals in Belgrade last night.

In the first game between the Yugoslavs and the Israeli basketball champions in Tel Aviv last week, Maccabi won 112:102. The 15-point win in Belgrade last night gave the Yugoslavs an overall four-point advantage from the two games.

(Tel Aviv Maccabi will play Zimmental of Milan, next Wednesday in Milan, as part of the quarter-final tourney.)

In the early minutes last night a confident Maccabi, leading 17:12, looked likely to bring off a surprise win. Then Red Star, led by the brilliant Slavko Knapic, produced a streak of superlative basketball and surged into a 10-point lead with 37:27. The Red Star shooting was accurate, while Maccabi's passing went consistently amiss. By halftime, Red Star had wiped out the Maccabi lead and the score stood at 51:40.

The smallest man in the Yugoslav squad, Slavko, was the master player in midcourt, repeatedly setting up the deadly Red Star attack. The Maccabi shooting was extremely poor and coach Yehoshua Rosin had to make constant changes. With seven minutes to play Red Star was 23 points ahead at 89:66. In the final minutes, Maccabi rallied to reduce the margin to the final 15 points.

None of the Maccabi players was

at his best and Tel Brodie and Ron Dunlop were especially disappointing. Top Maccabi scorers were Neuman 21, Chubin 18, and Menkin and Brodie with 12 points each. Knapic with 40 and Slavko with 27 were best for Red Star.

Simonovic, the outstanding Red Star player, failed to appear for his team.

(Red Star of Belgrade yesterday completed the double when their women's team beat Tel Aviv Hapoel girls 100:63 at Kibbutz Shifayim. They led 54:38 at halftime. In the first game between the women's squads in Belgrade last week the Yugoslavs won 94:76.)

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Anti-inflation moves

Heath extends pay, price freeze

LONDON (UPI). — Prime Minister Edward Heath, in anti-inflation moves modelled on those made by President Nixon 18 months ago, yesterday announced a 60-day extension of the government's total pay and price freeze and continued stringent government-enforced curbs after that until the end of the year.

Mr. Heath did so in a televised presidential-style news conference that enabled him to go over the heads of Parliament and hostile labour unions and speak directly to the nation.

Details of the government's plans were announced simultaneously in an official White Paper and in draft legislation submitted to Parliament.

The new curbs constituted what the government calls "Phase Two" of its anti-inflation battle.

It said this will start when the present 90-day total freeze ends on February 28, and Parliament has passed the necessary legislation.

But in a warning of continuing curbs in a "Phase Three," already planned, the White Paper said, "the fight against inflation will continue for a long time to come."

Officials said the government hopes in "Phase Three" to rely on voluntary agreement with industry and the labour unions instead of the mandatory curbs of the first two stages.

But the unions already have rejected any legally enforceable restrictions on pay talks and have said they will not cooperate in the government's "Phase Two" programme.

Even as the government announced its latest anti-inflation blue

print, unions representing 52,000 workers at the British Ford Motor Company's plant near London put in a demand for pay hikes estimated at about 40 per cent far in excess of the government's ceiling.

Among measures announced for "Phase Two" were:

- A ceiling of £1 a week plus four per cent on pay hikes. But pay increases for any individual will be limited to £250 a year.
- A continued ban on all price hikes except those necessary "to meet unavoidable cost increases."
- However, fresh food prices are not affected, because the government says it is impossible to control them.
- Creation of a pay board and a price commission, modelled on those in the U.S., with legal powers to restrict pay and price boosts.

"We are not going to throw away what we have gained by the freeze," Mr. Heath said, adding "the fight against inflation will continue for a long time to come."

It will extend to everybody, right across the board. There will be no exceptions," he said.

He announced a detailed series of changes — tax relief, postponement of an increase in the cost of school meals — as well as the mechanics

of a five per cent limit on stock dividends and controls on rent.

Asked about complaints by some lawmakers that he had gone over the heads of Parliament to appeal direct to the nation, Mr. Heath replied tartly: "Apparently some people think it's all right when I go outside London for me to have a press conference but not when I'm here. I cannot share that view."

British inflation is now running at 12 per cent a year, the highest in Western Europe except for Spain. (Continued on page 4, Col. 1)

No salad this spring

The cold snap early this week did much more damage to Israel's agricultural output than the winter's rain and frost. The damage will be very severe for the next three months.

Reporter Yitzhak Oded talked with some experts about the farmers' problems with the weather. His report appears in tomorrow's

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Amin orders take-over of churches, mosques

KAMPALA (AP). — President Idi Amin yesterday directed that all churches, mosques and schools owned by Britons or non-citizen Asians who have left Uganda be handed over to the indigenous churches here.

Amin did not say what should be done with Hindu temples and other places of worship which belonged neither to Christians nor Muslims.

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Forecast: Partly cloudy, slight rise in temperatures.

Weather synopsis: Ridge penetrates from Russia to the east, Mediterranean.

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Jerusalem 69	4-8	6-11
Golan 100	3-4	4-6
Nahariya 95	3-10	4-13
Safed 90	4-4	5-8
Haifa Port 74	9-12	9-15
Tiberias 92	9-12	9-15
Nazareth 86	9-12	9-15
Afula 57	1-12	7-15
Shomron 53	1-8	7-15
Tel Aviv 68	8-13	9-16
Levittown 68	8-13	9-16
Jericho 64	10-16	10-19
Gaza 50	7-15	9-17
Beerseba 50	6-12	9-17
Silat 50	6-12	9-17
Tiran Straits 71	9-19	12-25

Social and Personal

President Zalman Shazar yesterday received the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Walworth Barbour, who is winding up his tour of duty in Israel. The President also received Rabbi Shlomo Yosef Zevin, a member of the Chief Rabbinate Council and editor of the "Talmudic Encyclopaedia."

The Honorary Ambassador to the U.N., Mr. Joss Coradin, yesterday visited Foreign Minister Abba Eban. He was accompanied by Hail's Ambassador to Israel, Mr. Musset Pierre-Jerome.

Participants at the second Israel Food Week were the dinner guests yesterday of Mr. Menachem Savitov, director of the Citrus Products Export Board, and his wife, at their Tel Aviv home. Guests included Dr. M. Mandelbaum, director of the Food Department at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry; the chairman of the regional food committees of the Jerusalem Economic Conference — Lord Sainsbury for the United Kingdom, Mr. C. Horvitz for South Africa, Mr. P. Landman for Europe, Mr. Ben David for Canada and Mr. E. Proper for Israel; and foreign newsmen.

On Tuesday the President of the Manufacturers Association, Mr. Mark Moscovici, gave a reception at the Tel Aviv Hilton to mark the end of Food Week. Some 300 manufacturers and purchasers from abroad, and an equal number of Israelis, were present.

Mr. Michael Kelso, U.S. Scientific Attaché, will speak on "U.S.-Israel Cooperation in Science and Technology" at today's meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club, at the Z.O.A. House, at 115 p.m.

A series of popular chamber music concerts will be held at Beit Agron, Jerusalem, under the auspices of the Jerusalem Journalists Association and the Ministry of Culture. The first concert will be held on Monday, January 22, at 8.30 p.m., with the Pro-Musica Orchestra conducted by Dalia Atlas.

IN MEMORIAM

A memorial meeting marking five years since the death of Haim Shurer, former editor of "Davar," was held yesterday at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery.

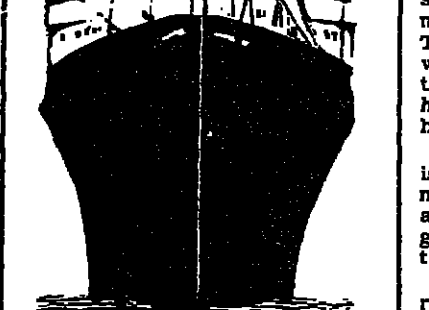
DEPARTURES

Walter Eylan, Chairman of the Broadcasting Authority, for a two-week trip to Zurich and London.

Yosef to U.S. in March

TEL AVIV. — Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef will leave for tour of the U.S. and Britain at the end of March, it was announced here yesterday.

He will visit Jewish centres in both countries.



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No Tu-Bishvat tree-planting due to weather

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Most of the Tu-Bishvat tree-planting ceremonies for kindergarten and elementary school children today will have to be postponed due to the inclement weather.

The youngsters will have their celebrations in school instead. Many Tel Aviv high school pupils will spend the day at absorption centres, where they will present new immigrants with traditional Tu-Bishvat gifts of fruit.

Pupils at religious schools will not plant trees because this year (5733) is a *shmita* year. (Every seventh year is a *shmita* year, during which no planting is done and fields lie fallow.)

Also due to the weather, the Knesset, which celebrates its anniversary on Tu-Bishvat, postponed its annual party till next Tuesday.

Phone service back to normal, except in J'lem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Phone service, severely hampered by Monday's snowstorm, returned to normal yesterday — everywhere except Jerusalem.

In the Capital, melting snow penetrated the insulation of a main cable in East Jerusalem, knocking out service to thousands of subscribers whose numbers begin with "2." Late last night repair crews were still at work at both sites, reconnecting open circuits.

Jerusalemites yesterday also found it almost impossible to place trunk calls. But this, said Communications Ministry spokesman Zecharia Mizrotzky, was not due to any breakdown. Rather, it was a case of overloaded circuits — too many people making too many calls at the same time.

Bandits steal IL28,000 from Lilienblum man

TEL AVIV. — Masked bandits took IL28,000 from the home of an elderly merchant early yesterday after tying the man and his wife to their bed.

The three men entered the second-storey apartment of Mendel Klusky, 67, in Rehov Sokolow here about 2 a.m., using a ladder. The robbers, who were not armed, beat Klusky and his wife Rivka, 70, tied them to the bed, and after a search of the apartment, made off with the cash — IL12,000 plus about \$3,900.

Police believe a fourth man was waiting for them in a car below.

The couple's screams brought neighbours, who untied them. Police suspect the intruders knew there was money in the apartment.

Mr. Klusky works in Rehov Lilienblum, centre of the country's black market in foreign currency.

Tel Aviv customs officials, seminary teachers strike

Jerusalem Post Staff

The 300 employees of the Customs and Excise Department in Tel Aviv went on strike yesterday. They demand special pay for extra work caused by lack of manpower.

The strike is backed by the local Labour Council which has suggested establishing an investigation commission to evaluate the employees' claim, but talks with the Civil Service Commissioner broke up a week ago.

Elsewhere on the labour scene, 1,500 lecturers at the country's teachers seminars have declared a labour dispute, in protest against what they call "the Ministry of Education's refusal to equate the work week of the seminary lecturer with that of a university lecturer."

The lecturers claim that since the Ministry began to implement plans to raise the level of studies at the seminars to that of the universities, they have been doing as much work as university lecturers. The latter have an official 12-hour work week, and the seminary lecturers demand that their own 18-hour week be reduced by six hours.

They further claim that the Ministry reneged on a number of agreements contracted in 1971 and that as a result they have not been getting the emoluments promised them.

Another strike, by merchant marine officers, which was set to start yesterday has been postponed. This followed a cable from the Histadrut informing the men that the committee appointed to examine possible changes in the structure of the Seamen's Union would publish its findings within ten days.

The officers are demanding recognition for their new union, which was formed after they split from the Seamen's Union. The ratings, however, have threatened to strike if the Histadrut grants the officers' recognition.

The Seamen's Union, meanwhile, yesterday called the 16 ratings of the tanker Sherut, which sails between Haifa and Tel Aviv, out on strike. The union claims the owners, Tankers Services Co., had violated their contract by failing to supply them with clothing supplies and a travel allowance.

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Tender No. 140/72

Tenders are invited for the supply of 150 units letter boxes urban type.

Tender form and further particulars can be obtained from the Director, Purchasing and Supply Division, 17 Rehov Eretz Tel Aviv, every day during working hours.

The tender must be accompanied by a letter of guarantee or cheque of a recognised bank for the amount of 10% of the first IL10,000 of the balance (if any) of the amount specified in the tender form.

Tenders, accompanied by the guarantee, must be addressed to the Director General, Ministry of Communications, Jerusalem, in double envelopes. The inner envelope is to be marked "confidential" — Tender No. 140/72. Tenders not submitted in the above manner will not be considered.

Tenders must be submitted not later than January 31, 1973.

The Ministry of Communications is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender, nor to order the entire quantity from a single contractor.

Tenders by telegram will not be accepted.

Director General
Ministry of Communications

Jerusalem street named for Italian envoy to Palestine, Bianchini

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A reception marking the naming of a Jerusalem street in memory of Angelo Levi Bianchini was held here on Tuesday by Arye Oron, president of the Israel-Italy League.

Bianchini, an Italian naval officer in World War I, represented Italy in Palestine after the war. He was presumably murdered in Lebanon on his way to Haifa.

The street named after him runs between the Jerusalem Tower Hotel and the Italian Synagogue in the centre of the capital.

Among those present at the Tel Aviv reception were the Italian Ambassador, Vittorio Corbo di Montezemolo, and Bianchini's two daughters, who came from Italy to attend the street-naming ceremony and the reception.



Snow this week washed large quantities of debris up on the country's shores. Above: a view of the beach in South Tel Aviv.

Rain melts last of Monday's snowfall

Jerusalem Post Staff

Rain in the North and higher temperatures everywhere yesterday removed the last of Monday's snow. But parts of Jerusalem were still without electricity, and a check of trees showed the Capital would celebrate Tu-Bishvat (today) a good deal less green.

The Beit Dagon weatherman said today would be partly cloudy to cloudy, with temperatures two degrees higher than yesterday and no strong winds. No significant change was expected for tomorrow.

Parts of Jerusalem's Talpiot and Baka's quarters were still blacked out by last night — the third day since the snow brought down their power lines. Irrate residents were threatening to demonstrate if repairs were not complete soon.

The snowfall damaged more than 2,000 of the Capital's trees, the municipal spokesman said last night. A pre-Tu-Bishvat survey showed that another 120 had been totally destroyed, he added.

With the snow almost completely melted, municipal employees concentrated on cleaning up the streets and collecting garbage, which had been piling up for several days.

By nightfall, 90 per cent of the city's garbage bins had been emptied.

In the North, rain poured down intermittently during the day, removing the last of the high-lying snow and providing a last-minute rescue for nearly 70,000 dunam of winter grain in Lower Galilee. But farmers fear the long drought which preceded the downpour will still affect the harvest.

In Haifa it rained almost incessantly all day, washing out work in the port and on building sites. Dried-food vendors, who had stocked up for the Tu-Bishvat trade, remained without customers.

The Nature Protection Society last night announced the cancellation of the Tu-Bishvat outings on Mount Carmel which it had planned for today to protest the Nesher cement company's bid to extend its quarry into the Carmel National Park. The protest outing is now planned for Saturday, on Mount Carmel.

Snow remained high on the slopes of Mt. Hermon, and the road up to Har Dov was still blocked yesterday. P.W.D. snow ploughs cleared about six kilometres of the road up to the ski site yesterday, but another four kilometres remained to be cleared. It is expected the job will be completed today. All Upper Galilee and Southern Golan roads were clear of snow and passable by yesterday.

The level of Lake Kinneret continued to rise slowly during the day. Before the rain the lake was two metres below its normal level for this time of the year and short some 250 million cubic metres of water. Each centimetre the lake gains in height means 1.5 million cu.m. more.

East Jerusalem and the West Bank returned to normal daily activity yesterday after an Id al-Adha (Feast of Sacrifice) holiday marred by Monday's heavy snowfall. Across the borders, neighbouring Arab countries were also in the process of recovering from snow, rain and wind storms.

Several West Bank towns reported damage to electric and telephone lines, and seasonal crops were seriously hit in many areas. A shortage of vegetables was evident in the marketplaces, where many residents flocked to replenish food-stocks yesterday.

Jewish residents in the Etzion Bloc and in Kiryat Arba, outside Hebron, which were hard hit by the heavy snow, also managed to return to their normal routine. Haim Magen, a resident of Kiryat Arba, wrote to *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday to deny a report that settlers there had been offered assistance by Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Jabari. "The Mayor had reportedly offered to provide the settlers with bread and other food," Mr. Magen said. "The settlers continued their usual practice of shopping in Hebron's Arab market, and their contacts with Hebron's Arab residents were 'cordial and correct,' as usual."

The Allenby and Damya Bridges over the Jordan were reopened yesterday on the Jordanian side, and a traffic between the West and East Banks returned to normal.

Amman reported yesterday that the snowstorm had claimed four lives, and that thousands of Beduin were later evacuated from certain areas because of flooding from melting snow. A Jordanian Government spokesman said army helicopters had been used to drop food and blankets to isolated villages, especially in the southern part of the country.

Reports from Syria said Damascus was still isolated from the southern part of the country because of high snowdrifts blocking the roads. Lebanese reports said hundreds of villages were still cut off, and authorities were dropping foodstuffs and fodder by helicopter.

The Egyptian port of Alexandria reopened yesterday after a four-day closure caused by gales and snow flurries. Government reports said four fishing vessels had sunk Tuesday in the storm-lashed harbour. The Egyptian Navy reportedly rescued 160 passengers from the s.s. Syria, which put in at Alexandria to escape the storm.

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Weizman denies he'll run for Mayor of T.A.

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Ezer Weizman has denied reports that he is thinking of running for Mayor of Tel Aviv as the Gahal candidate.

The Jerusalem Post questioned Mr. Weizman following reports that the Liberals were pressing him to run as Gahal's mayoral candidate. (The Liberals have priority in Gahal's Tel Aviv branch on the candidate for the office.)

Weizman opted out of running the Gahal national election campaign after a collision with Herut Chairman Menachem Begin.

Ben-Aharon attacks Sapir ... once again

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon has attacked Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir once again — this time charging the Minister with "poisonous and utterly unfounded statements."

The Histadrut chief criticized Mr. Sapir in unusually sharp tones — even for him — in an interview in the latest issue of "Bakibbutz" — the weekly magazine of the Kibbutz Hameuhad federation. His anger was aroused by Mr. Sapir's statement that "the new atmosphere in the Histadrut is the cause of the current state of labour relations in Israel."

Mr. Ben-Aharon responded: "My reaction is a resounding rejection — morally and aesthetically... What he (Mr. Sapir) said is beneath any acceptable level of debate. It is not an argument against anyone in Israel, it is a method of denunciation, and he has done it again..."

Mr. Ben-Aharon charged the Finance Minister made the statement because he had been angered by the failure of members of the Histadrut Central Committee to speak up at recent meetings between themselves and Cabinet Ministers. Mr. Sapir, said the Secretary-General, "shouted: 'Where are the Mapai members? Why do you let him (Ben-Aharon) talk on your behalf?'"

Ben-Aharon continued: "Sapir's words are heard over the air and throughout our movement... Tens of thousands hear him and continue to eat kugel and then go to bed... Can one really carry out such a responsible duty after such words? They are not denied by anyone in the movement. They are utterly unfounded from a factual viewpoint and poisonous in so far as responsibility to the party and its representatives is concerned... How can one possibly do one's job and bear such a heavy burden after all that?"

Says Haim Gvati erred in Knesset**Shikun Ovdim defends sale of disputed flats**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The spokesman of Shikun Ovdim, the Histadrut housing firm, said here yesterday that Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati had made inaccurate statements in the Knesset on Tuesday concerning the controversial sale of six flats in Haifa by the company.

Mr. Gvati was referring to a charge that the flats, earmarked for public housing, had been sold at a discount to private buyers with "pull" in the Labour Party.

The Minister had said that the land for the flats had been obtained at a special low price, but the spokesman claimed that all the flats were on land for which the company had full rights to build and sell to anyone it pleased.

The spokesman said the plots, in Rehov Bourla, were acquired in 1944 by Shikun Ovdim. As was customary in those days, the land was registered in the name of the Jewish National Fund. Later, with the founding of the State, registration was transferred to the Lands Administration. However, the rights of Shikun Ovdim to build on the land and sell the flats to whomever it wanted were preserved.

Therefore, the spokesman said, it was not true that Shikun Ovdim had sold flats built on land it received on the recommendation of the Ministry of Housing.

Wholesale price of milk rising

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Dairy farmers will receive an increase of 12 agora per litre of milk. Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati announced yesterday.

An increase of seven agora will be paid retroactively from January 11, and an additional increase of five agora from February 18. This will bring the price of milk paid to the farmer to 65 agora per litre.

Mr. Gvati added that he hopes to complete "within the next week or two" negotiations with Tnuva on their demand to raise the milk's retail price by 3.7 agora per litre, due to increased production costs.

For the present, however, the 12-agora increase will not affect the milk's retail price — it will be added to the subsidy paid to farmers by the Government. The Agriculture Ministry's Director-General, Avraham Bruni, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that the Government had not yet decided how much of this increase should be borne by the consumer. Sources in the Ministry indicated the retail price is not likely to rise before April 1. Since consumption of milk is put at about 400m. litres per month, the 12-agora increase will cost the taxpayers some IL48m. per month.

The Government is considering raising the price of other subsidized basic commodities, including bread, sugar, fish, meat and eggs.

TODAY'S POSTBAG

ADMISSION to the Israel Museum will be free today, thanks to a contribution by Mrs. Catherine Sonnenborn-Falk in honour of her brother Rudolf Sonnenborn's 75th birthday. Mrs. Sonnenborn-Falk has pledged a donation equal to an average day's revenue from admission fees — approximately IL5,000.

NITZAV-NISHINE Michael Bochner, chief of the Negro Police Sub-district, became national police spokesman yesterday, taking over from Tai-Nitzav Mordechai Tavor. N.M. Bochner has been on the force since 1948.

If you're sick, you have a cold

No flu in Israel, health official says

By ERNIE MEYER

Thousands of Israelis may be sick in bed and running high temperatures. What ails them, however, is not influenza but the common cold.

"There is no influenza in Israel," is the opinion of Dr. Hayim Genichter, director of the Laboratories Division in the Health Ministry. He explained that his laboratory in Jaffa has been trying for over a month to isolate an influenza virus — without success.

Dr. Genichter contradicted reports in the Hebrew press two weeks ago that Israel was suffering from an influenza epidemic. He added, however, that the A-2 English influenza strain, sweeping many countries in Europe this winter, may eventually reach the Middle East too.

The English strain (isolated in England in 1972) is different from the A-2 Hongkong strain, which we have had here before.

Dr. Genichter said. He recommended that older people and those suffering from heart, kidney and lung diseases be vaccinated — or receive booster shots, if they are already vaccinated — against the new flu strain. (Vaccinations are good for about one year.)

The vaccine against the Hongkong strain also offers some protection against the new, English strain, Dr. Genichter said. Laboratories in England, at present are not allowed to export the new vaccine, which is still in short supply. If the English flu hits Israel, however, the Ministry hopes to get supplies from Britain, the doctor said. It is not economical to manufacture these types of vaccines here, he added.

The cost of the vaccine, when it becomes available here, will be about IL12 per dose. Injections can be made by a nurse.

Three boys convicted of rape of elderly woman

TEL AVIV. — Three Sderot teenagers were found guilty in the District Court here yesterday of raping and robbing a 64-year-old woman in her Tel Aviv flat last June. The three — Shimon Bozago, 18, and two 17-year-old relatives — will be sentenced at the end of the month.

The three had been charged with breaking into the Rehov Ben Yehuda flat in which the woman lived last June 22 at 3.30 a.m. They took turns raping the woman. Then they also burned her face with lit cigarettes, beat her, and threatened to kill her. After tying her up and cutting the telephone line, the three made off with IL2,100, small sums in Swiss francs and dollars, two gold watches, a gold bracelet and various other items.

Each of the accused had shifted the blame onto the other two in their original statements to police — statements which they vigorously rejected during the trial. The woman made a positive identification of all three in court.

In their verdict yesterday, Judges Zeev Zeltner, Shulamit Wallenstein and Moshe Belsky ruled the evidence left no doubt that all three were guilty as charged. At the same time, the judges added, the accusations each had made against the other two, Yonatan Klein, stole the identity card of one Avraham Herschkowitz 21 years ago and served two jail terms — for theft and burglary — under that name. The case came to light when the real Herschkowitz complained he hadn't received some Absorption Loan certificates which had been sent by registered mail. Klein had cashed them.

Klein's attorney said his client had not intended to steal the certificates, but had taken them innocently when they came to his address.

The attorney also said Klein's wife had asked for a divorce because of his imprisonment. (This is the third of his four wives to divorce him after learning of his activities. His third wife died.)

Our dear husband, father and grandfather

ISAAC SOBOL

has passed away.

His wife: Nuts Sobol,
His sons: Jacob Sobol,
Zvi Shomron,
David Shomron,
and families.

For details of the funeral please telephone Haifa, (04) 81553, today.

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to

Dr. DAVID LAMAS

on the tragic death of his

WIFE

Colleagues and Fellow Workers at the Heart Institute, Beilinson Hospital

In deep sorrow and with broken hearts, we announce the death at the age of 38 of my husband and my dear father

WERNER ENGEL

The funeral will leave today, Thursday, January 18, 1973, at 1 p.m., from the Rambam Hospital, Haifa, for the new cemetery, Kfar Samir, Haifa.

Wife, Luise
Daughter, Daniela

In deep sorrow we announce the death of

REGINA SCHMELZ

(née STEINHAUER)

In London

Husband, Samuel Schmeltz
Daughter, Jenny Rosner and Family, Jerusalem
Daughter, Anne Cranley and Family, London
Families Steinhauer, Tiefenbrunn-Boer, Beigel, Drucker — Tel Aviv — brothers and sisters

The funeral will leave from Sanhedra, today, Thursday, Jan. 18, at 12 noon for Har Hamenuhot, Jerusalem.

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Zim carrier refloated near Antwerp

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA — The 31,000-ton Zim bulk carrier m.s. Massada was pulled off a sandbank near the port of Antwerp early yesterday morning. She had been stranded in the Western Scheldt estuary for just over 12 hours. Eleven tugboats pulled her off.
No one was hurt and the ship does not appear to have been damaged.
Her master, Captain Danny Pish, told The Post by phone from Antwerp yesterday that the Massada had been sailing the estuary towards Antwerp, with a port pilot already on board, when a heavy fog closed in. "We missed the passage and landed on the sandbank," he said. Since the ship was grounded just before high tide, about noon Tuesday, they could do nothing until the next tide, 12 hours later: the water level had dropped considerably, making it impossible to refloat the fully loaded ship. She was carrying a cargo of 20,000 tons of wheat and iron from America to Antwerp.
As the water rose Capt. Pish's crew attempted to refloat the ship by themselves. When they failed, he called in the tugs. She reached Antwerp harbour yesterday morning.
The captain said only four Israeli officers were on board; the other 32 crew members were all foreign seamen. The Israeli officers had their families with them, including several children, "but they took the incident in their stride."

Armenians celebrate Xmas today

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
The Armenian Orthodox community will celebrate Christmas tonight in the last of three Christmases observed in the Holy Land. (The first was celebrated on December 25 by the western churches; the second, on January 7, by the Greek and Eastern Orthodox denominations.)
As in the previous celebrations, the focus of Armenian Christmas will be Bethlehem, the traditional scene of Jesus' birth in a manger now inside the Church of the Nativity.
Today's observances will start at 9.30 with the departure of the Armenian Patriarch from his headquarters, inside Jaffa Gate in Jerusalem's Old City, for Bethlehem. His Beatitude Yeghshis Derbentian will be escorted by two police cars as far as the Mar Elias monastery, on the outskirts of Bethlehem, where five mounted policemen will take over for the procession to Manger Square. District notables will join the Patriarch at the point.
On arrival at the Church of the Nativity, at about 11 a.m., the Patriarch will be received by the mayor, the district police commander and Armenian clergy, in addition to local notables and church followers.
The Commander of Judea and Samaria, Tat-Aluf (Brigadier) Rafael Vardi, will join the Patriarch at the midnight ceremonies, highlighted by a procession to the Grotto of the Nativity.
The Armenian services will go on until the early morning hours. Then the Patriarch returns, at 8 a.m. Christmas Day (Friday), to his headquarters in Jerusalem.
The Armenian community, like the Greek, follows the Julian calendar. But it celebrates Christmas on the Feast of Epiphany, rather than on the day of Jesus' birth.

Dearth of chicken seen for Pessah

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV — Many households may have to do without chicken soup at their Pessah seder tables this year — or make do with prepared soup mixes in which to float the traditional matza balls.
There will be a shortage of at least 1,500 tons of chicken during the month of April, and Pessah starts the night of April 16.
There are plenty of fertilized eggs now to supply the country's poultry farmers. But the farmers are cutting their orders of new-born chicks by about 25 per cent, due to the recent frost and a number of respiratory diseases now affecting poultry. Since it takes from eight to 12 weeks to make a chick ready for the meat market, it is this month's orders which will affect the supply of chicken during April.
Normal monthly consumption of chicken is about 8,000 tons — and this figure usually swells during a holiday month. A small percentage, 10-15 per cent, of the supply is covered by dead layer-hens marketed as roasters. This part of the chicken supply will not be affected.
While chicken may be scarce, however, there will be no shortage of turkey. Since most turkeys take six months to mature, April's crop is already three months old and is not significantly affected by the cold or by the diseases which infect young chicks.
Nor will there be any shortage of eggs or of layer-hens, which are ordered only once a year, towards summer.

Prices rise steeply at Mahane Yehuda

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Jerusalem housewives planning to do their weekend shopping at the Mahane Yehuda market today will find that prices of most fruits and vegetables have gone up by 15 to 100 per cent since the big snow earlier this week.
A spot check of the stalls at Mahane Yehuda yesterday disclosed the following:
● Green pepper: IL4 per kilo (as against IL2.50 last week).
● Cauliflower: IL3 (IL1.50).
● Apples: IL3.20 (IL2.80).
● Cucumbers (the long ones, grown in hothouses at Kibbutz Yagur near Haifa): IL4 (IL3.50).
Cabbages: still about IL1.20 per kilo, but of poorer quality.
Despite recent announcements of shortages of tomatoes and potatoes because of the recent country-wide frost, the prices of these items have thus far remained relatively stable: tomatoes were selling yesterday at an average price of IL2.50 per kilo, and potatoes at 90 agorot to IL1 per kilo. Apples, too, remained steady.
Flower vendors in the Mahane Yehuda shuk were yesterday charging some 30 per cent more.
Citrus fruit prices remained steady at 80 agorot per kilo for oranges and IL1 for clementines — though of somewhat poorer quality. It is learned that this fruit, damaged by the frost, was rejected for export shipment and released for the local markets.
A Mahane Yehuda retailer, Yossi Shashor, told The Jerusalem Post that a combination of two events created the present inflation: the frost, and this week's snow which also damaged some produce and made harvesting difficult. He said there was "no chance" that prices would drop today or tomorrow.

Home-owner wins 5-year case against mortgage bank

TEL AVIV. — Jerusalem home-owner Uriel Hefetz would give in when he was ordered to pay the General Mortgage Bank IL500 more on a loan he had already returned. He won his point — and IL1,000 costs — in the District Court here yesterday, five years after he entered his appeal.
But his lawyer is now going to appeal the costs award.
The sum of IL500 represented principal and interest on a IL180 Finance Ministry service charge which the bank paid for a loan it gave Mr. Hefetz in 1970, plus interest on the IL4,000 loan from the day the contract was signed. Mr. Hefetz had balked at paying the service charge when he finished paying the principal and interest on his loan, late in 1967, and had been ruled liable by the local Magistrate's Court. The same court had also rejected his objection that the bank had charged him interest on the loan from the moment the contract was signed but had only supplied the money several months later.
Describing this verdict as "intolerable," District Court Judges Binyamin Cohen, Hanna Evenor and Haim Erlich yesterday ruled that Mr. Hefetz owed the bank nothing. As he had never signed an undertaking to pay the service charge, he could be billed neither for it nor for interest on it. And the idea of charging interest on a loan which had not yet been paid out was "unthinkable," the judges declared.
The Court also had strong criticism for mortgage banks' practice of insuring borrowers' apartments through insurance firms in which the banks have an interest. Saying their "ears had rung" when the bank claimed the link between the bank and the insurance company was no affair of the owner of the apartment insured (the mortgagee), they stressed that any saving the arrangement brings the bank should be passed on to the borrower.
Mr. Hefetz's attorney, Dan Sheinman, said he would appeal the IL1,000 in costs awarded as being far below what the five-year legal battle had actually cost. (Itim)

Police catch wild scooterist with tear-gas

TEL AVIV. — Police here used tear-gas to subdue a young scooter-rider who had mounted the pavement on Tuesday and beaten up two protesting safety patrolmen.
The man, identified only as a 22-year-old Tel Aviv resident, was spotted Wednesday evening driving his scooter along the pavement of Rehov Atliosev. When the two safety patrolmen tried to stop him, he allegedly tried to stop them. A police patrol car was called to the scene, but the man was not subdued until he was sprayed with tear gas. He is being held. (Itim)

Bus fares under periodic checks

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Transport Minister Shimon Peres promised the Knesset yesterday that his Ministry would continue to make periodic checks of the bus companies' fare tables, and ensure that unauthorized increases are cancelled. He was replying at question time to Daniel Levi (N.R.P.).
Also at question-time, the Minister told Yosef Tamir (Gahal) that Dan co-op buses, which had been cleaned overnight, were sometimes filthy with rubbish inside by six a.m., after only two journeys.
On another subject he told Uri Avnery (Ha'olam Hazeh) that school diars would very soon be illuminated with discoloring lights at night while waiting for lifts at the roadside.
During his appearance before the Knesset Finance Committee on Tuesday, Mr. Peres warned that movement of private vehicles in the big urban centres would have to be limited in future. Traffic jams, he said, could not help occurring, in view of the number of cars on the roads. Some 33,000 cars were purchased in 1972 alone, and 80 per cent of the purchasers live in big cities.
The Minister suggested that bans be introduced gradually, barring movement of private cars in busy centres during rush hours. He did not favour administrative curtailment of car imports, and said the trend abroad was to limit the use of cars rather than their purchase.
He asked that pressure be put on the big cities' mayors to cooperate in curtailment of private car traffic. His Ministry, Mr. Peres said, was already cooperating with several local authorities in a plan to provide large and convenient parking lots away from the downtown areas, so that owners could leave their cars and travel into the city centre and back by shuttle buses.

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East Jerusalem property-owners compensation bill debated

ASHKEZ WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
The East Jerusalemites can keep whatever citizenship they wish, while remaining potentially citizens of Israel (Haim Zedek — Alignment Labour).
The advisory committees handling the Arabs' claims must be headed by judges. If the committees include appointees of the Alignment only, the situation will give the impression of electoral bribery (Dov Milman — Gahal).
The East Jerusalemites should have the right to get their property back, and not be forced to take compensation in cash (Uri Avnery — Ha'olam Hazeh).
This law should have been passed five years ago (Eliesser Shostak — Free Centre).
Israel law should be applied to the administered areas and then the Arabs of the areas should be compensated in the same way (Binyamin Halevi — Gahal).
This law should not serve as a precedent, to show that Israel is responsible for the property of all the Arab refugees (Yosef Goldschmidt — N.R.P.).

Peres explains need for higher phone, post fees

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
The Communications Ministry had no choice but to request an increase in phone and postal charges, because its bill for wages, equipment and investment capital had gone up very much, the Minister, Mr. Shimon Peres, said yesterday. Replying to the Knesset to two urgent motions for the agenda about the proposed increases, Mr. Peres pointed out that phone installation charges had not gone up since 1964. Seventy per cent of all phone calls in the country were made by companies who could well afford to pay more, Mr. Peres said. (The two motions were by Eliesser Shostak (Free Centre) and Haim Yashkov Mizrahi (Agudat Israel). They were struck off the agenda by 36 votes against 13 on the grounds that the Knesset Finance Committee has the item on its agenda for immediate discussion.)
Public services must be based on a healthy respect for business principles, the Minister said. Subsidies should not be granted to services needlessly.
Comparative phone and postal charges in France and Germany were some 70 per cent higher than in Israel, Mr. Peres said. A phone call in New York, which now costs about the same as in Israel, is to be doubled shortly, Mr. Peres said (quoting the "New York Times").
(The Knesset Finance Committee must statutorily approve the proposed increases, which have been decided on, for all practical purposes, by the Committee of Economic Ministers.)
The Minister said that the phone lines would not be overloaded if callers practised common courtesy.

Homeowner wins 5-year case against mortgage bank

TEL AVIV. — Jerusalem home-owner Uriel Hefetz would give in when he was ordered to pay the General Mortgage Bank IL500 more on a loan he had already returned. He won his point — and IL1,000 costs — in the District Court here yesterday, five years after he entered his appeal.
But his lawyer is now going to appeal the costs award.
The sum of IL500 represented principal and interest on a IL180 Finance Ministry service charge which the bank paid for a loan it gave Mr. Hefetz in 1970, plus interest on the IL4,000 loan from the day the contract was signed. Mr. Hefetz had balked at paying the service charge when he finished paying the principal and interest on his loan, late in 1967, and had been ruled liable by the local Magistrate's Court. The same court had also rejected his objection that the bank had charged him interest on the loan from the moment the contract was signed but had only supplied the money several months later.
Describing this verdict as "intolerable," District Court Judges Binyamin Cohen, Hanna Evenor and Haim Erlich yesterday ruled that Mr. Hefetz owed the bank nothing. As he had never signed an undertaking to pay the service charge, he could be billed neither for it nor for interest on it. And the idea of charging interest on a loan which had not yet been paid out was "unthinkable," the judges declared.
The Court also had strong criticism for mortgage banks' practice of insuring borrowers' apartments through insurance firms in which the banks have an interest. Saying their "ears had rung" when the bank claimed the link between the bank and the insurance company was no affair of the owner of the apartment insured (the mortgagee), they stressed that any saving the arrangement brings the bank should be passed on to the borrower.
Mr. Hefetz's attorney, Dan Sheinman, said he would appeal the IL1,000 in costs awarded as being far below what the five-year legal battle had actually cost. (Itim)

Bus fares under periodic checks

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Transport Minister Shimon Peres promised the Knesset yesterday that his Ministry would continue to make periodic checks of the bus companies' fare tables, and ensure that unauthorized increases are cancelled. He was replying at question time to Daniel Levi (N.R.P.).
Also at question-time, the Minister told Yosef Tamir (Gahal) that Dan co-op buses, which had been cleaned overnight, were sometimes filthy with rubbish inside by six a.m., after only two journeys.
On another subject he told Uri Avnery (Ha'olam Hazeh) that school diars would very soon be illuminated with discoloring lights at night while waiting for lifts at the roadside.
During his appearance before the Knesset Finance Committee on Tuesday, Mr. Peres warned that movement of private vehicles in the big urban centres would have to be limited in future. Traffic jams, he said, could not help occurring, in view of the number of cars on the roads. Some 33,000 cars were purchased in 1972 alone, and 80 per cent of the purchasers live in big cities.
The Minister suggested that bans be introduced gradually, barring movement of private cars in busy centres during rush hours. He did not favour administrative curtailment of car imports, and said the trend abroad was to limit the use of cars rather than their purchase.
He asked that pressure be put on the big cities' mayors to cooperate in curtailment of private car traffic. His Ministry, Mr. Peres said, was already cooperating with several local authorities in a plan to provide large and convenient parking lots away from the downtown areas, so that owners could leave their cars and travel into the city centre and back by shuttle buses.

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orev approved as president of the Technion

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Technion's Internal Board of Governors has unanimously confirmed the Senate's appointment of Ahuf Amos as the Technion's next president. Board Chairman Ezeriya Hershkovitz announced yesterday that the appointment was confirmed by a 10-0 vote.
Mr. Amos, 49, is currently serving as the Technion's acting president. He was previously named both the Ordnance and Logistics Corps of the army. He was by the army to study mechanical engineering at M.I.T. in 1959, obtained B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees within two and a half years. He returned to the Technion in 1964. In 1968, he moved to M.I.T. for postgraduate studies. He was appointed chief of staff of the defence establishment in 1972.
He will be installed in the autumn. A incumbent president Alexander Goldberg steps down.
Mr. Amos is married and has three children: a daughter who is a completed military service, a son, a Technion graduate in mechanical engineering, now an officer.

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Analyses have been made, creating alternative uses of land and transport in the city of Rotterdam and in the designing of urban renewal and development projects in Scotland, Germany, Portugal and elsewhere.

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Munich strengthens its sniper force

Munich police, after an inquiry following the Olympic massacre of Israeli athletes, is strengthening its sniper force, according to the latest issue of the magazine "Der Spiegel".

The magazine's report reveals that a secret meeting of the Munich police department, it was established that the town's 50-strong sniper department had a total of 18 snipers with telescopic sights at the time of the Olympic games. Not all of the 18 snipers who participated in the Furstentfeldbruck were appropriately armed, arsenal has now been increased to 30 rifles.

At the secret meeting, the minutes which are now circulating in official circles in Munich according to the magazine, decided to investigate whether rifles could be acquired or borrowed as soon as possible. An inquiry into whether "hunters" assigned as snipers to the police force could be allowed to bring their own personal rifles to work was also instigated.

Police officers are now being instructed to study several plans of action for freeing hostages or hijacked planes, the magazine said.

That the "Spiegel's" criticism of the police action at Furstentfeldbruck was more than justified is evident from the catalogue of technical equipment required, attached to the secret minutes as "additional preparatory measures." The list of police requirements includes: "the use of gas, of infra-red equipment, fog cannons, laser rays."

Pompidou in Addis Ababa

ADDIS ABABA (Reuters). — French President Georges Pompidou arrived yesterday to a spectacular welcome by hundreds of thousands of Ethiopians and entered the capital's glass coach accompanied by his Emperor Haile Selassie.

The President stepped down from his aircraft, the 80-year-old peror greeted him with a warm embrace to the booming of a 21-gun salute.

The two leaders are expected to discuss France's future relations with the colony, former French Somaliland, whose capital on the Mediterranean coast, Djibouti, is important to Ethiopia. Half of Ethiopia's imports and exports move along the Addis Ababa-Djibouti railway.

Observers here are convinced that Pompidou will tell the Emperor that the French will remain in their country as long as the local population wish for the continuation of such influence in the area.

Both Ethiopia and Somalia lay claim to the territory, once the French pull out.

U.K. brings back the crossbow

LONDON (AP). — Electrical power supply workers in Britain are being armed with crossbows, the ultimate weapons of the Middle Ages.

They are being used to shoot power lines from pylons to pylons over busy highways instead of having traffic while the cables are being replaced by hand.

Manpower Geoffrey Bennett was one of the first to use his bow yesterday. Armed with one specially adapted to its new task he shot a line 80 metres over the main route between Derby and Burton-on-Trent in the English Midlands.

He shot a hunting type and will shoot a pilot line for several hundred metres so that the main cable can be hoisted into position quite easily.

A spokesman for the Midlands Electricity Board, which issues the bows from its training centre, said: "The one thing we do stress is that people working on the other side of the road for the pilot line should be covered before the crossbow is fired."



Members of a Rhodesian army border patrol duck as they leave a helicopter returning them to their temporary base at a farm following an armed patrol along the northeastern border with Zambia last week. The troops from the Special Air Service, were one of the first units to be used against terrorists in the area. Rhodesia on January 9 closed the border with Zambia after several acts of terrorism. (AP radio photo)

George Best 'may never return to U.K.'

MANCHESTER (AP). — George Best, playboy soccer star, flew to Canada yesterday and said he might never return to Britain.

The 26-year-old Northern Irishman, who is under suspension by his club, Manchester United, told newsmen at the airport: "I will never play football again in Britain."

This was a new line for Best, who changes his plans regularly. On Tuesday he said he would return from Canada and join Swansea Town, a Third Division club, on a month's loan to Manchester United.

Best said at the airport he has had many offers connected with movies, books and business. His personal manager, and his hairdresser flew to Canada with him.

Letter-bomb blast in Genoa

GENOA (Reuters). — A letter-bomb exploded in the Genoa post office on Tuesday night, setting fire to a conveyor belt, police here reported.

The letter containing the bomb, apparently made with gunpowder, had just been sorted and placed on the belt when the blast occurred. The fire was quickly put out by postal workers and no one was injured.

Police said the letter had been posted in Genoa, but it was destroyed by the fire and they could not discover to whom it had been sent.

In Parma, northern Italy, a neo-Fascist city councillor of the Italian Social Movement (MSI) found a rudimentary bomb under his car as he left his house on Tuesday night. He called the police who dismantled the package.

'Jane Fonda divorced from Roger Vadim'

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (Reuters). — Film actress Jane Fonda and French director Roger Vadim have been divorced here, the Santo Domingo newspaper, "Ultimo Hora," reported yesterday.

Lawyers reported to have acted in the hearing on Tuesday said Miss Fonda left this Caribbean republic for the U.S. early yesterday.

There was no independent confirmation of the report, which said Mrs. Fonda entered the country secretly two days ago to dissolve her seven-year-old marriage.

Soviet Jewish emigrants heckle Peled in Vienna

VIENNA (AP). — Israel Absorption Minister Nathan Peled, in a news conference here yesterday, was repeatedly interrupted by a group of Soviet Jews stranded in Vienna.

Soviet Jews stranded in Vienna, after leaving Israel, said, "We are not interested in keeping a single Jew who does not want to stay in Israel."

But Mr. Peled added that only a "very insignificant number" of Jews from the Soviet Union or from elsewhere decided to return to their countries of origin. He revealed that in 1972, there were 56,000 new immigrants including 31,000 from the Soviet Union.

Mr. Peled said it was "quite natural" that some immigrants have problems in the initial phase of adapting to a new country, but this affected immigrants of the West just as much as those from the Soviet Union.

The group of about a dozen Soviet Jews that gained access to the news conference in the Vienna press club claimed to represent 36 Jews who left Israel and were now in Vienna. The organizers of the conference did not allow them to ask questions.

They shouted insults at Mr. Peled when the news conference ended. They asserted in leashes distributed among the newsmen that they had been "lured" to Israel by "Zionist propaganda."

They have trouble returning to the Soviet Union because they dropped their Soviet citizenship when they left there.

Mr. Peled said Israel felt no responsibility for these Jews because they were returning of their own free will.

Mr. Peled said emigration from other East European countries was practically nonexistent. "We've had no immigrants whatsoever (from Eastern Europe) in the past two years," he said.

Mr. Peled was in Austria to inspect Schloss Schoenau, the castle used as a transit camp for Russian Jews emigrating to Israel.

Mr. Peled predicted that "hundreds of thousands of Jews" would immigrate to Israel in the next five to 10 years, among them many Jews from the Soviet Union.

Rabbi to walk to Nixon inaugural for invocation

NEW YORK (DNA). — The invocation at the inauguration of President Nixon on Saturday will be delivered by Rabbi Seymour Siegel, Professor of Theology at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, DNA has learned. He will be participating in the ceremonies with Roman Catholic, Protestant and Eastern Orthodox clergymen.

Rabbi Siegel said the inaugural committee has provided him with a hotel within walking distance of the inauguration site. He added that the use of a microphone on Shabbat is not violation of Jewish law, according to the Conservative interpretation.

Rabbi Siegel, who was active in the campaign to re-elect Mr. Nixon, said that it has been customary for a rabbi to participate in presidential inaugurations since that of President Truman in 1949.

Basques kidnap industrialist

PAMPLONA, Spain (AP). — Basque guerrilla commandos broke into the country home of industrialist Felipe Huarte and kidnapped him early yesterday, police sources reported.

The sources said three armed men tied up members of Huarte's family, locked them in the cellar and then set in pre-dawn darkness with Huarte captive in his own car. The car later was found about 30 kms. from Pamplona near the French border, police informants said.

Soviet robot near Apollo site

MOSCOW (UPI). — The Soviet Luna-17 moon robot landed on the moon yesterday, a trek across the lunar landscape that could reinforce the findings of America's final Apollo mission.

The moon robot is 180 kms. due south of where Apollo-17's lunar module landed last month. "Pravda," a Communist Party newspaper, said it was the closest a Soviet moon robot has come to an Apollo landing site.

"This is a new era in which co-ordination of the scientific efforts of different countries assumes special significance," it said.

Western space experts said the significance would be that proximity to the Apollo-17 and Luna-17 operations at the eastern fringe of the Sea of Serenity.

The mapping, photographing and testing expected to be performed by the Russian robot should supplement the findings of Apollo-17, they said. Soviet and American space scientists since 1971 have shared results of their lunar explorations.

Luna-17 arrived on the moon on Tuesday aboard the Luna-21 mothership. It is scheduled to start exploring today.

The first moon robot, Luna-1, worked flawlessly for 10 months and 17 days after Luna-17 put it on the moon on November 17, 1970. Its jumps covered 10.5 kms.

Tass news agency said the 840 kgs. Luna-17 robot briefly explored its landing site before positioning itself to charge its solar batteries.

In the foreground are several small craters and a massive stone which is split into several lumps of different sizes.

At the background, about 40 elephants invaded and partially destroyed a farm, trampling to death a youth who was trying to chase them away.

India wins third Test

NEW DELHI (AP). — India won the third cricket Test against England yesterday by four wickets, gaining a 2-1 lead in the present five-test series.

Final scores: England 242 and 159; India 316 and 36 for six wickets. England won the first Test in Delhi by six wickets and India equalled the series at Calcutta with a 28-run victory.

Dynamite blast at Beirut U.

BEIRUT (UPI). — A small charge of dynamite exploded in the American University of Beirut on Tuesday night, wrecking a basement toilet, university sources said yesterday.

The sources said the building where the bomb exploded was empty when the incident happened at 10 p.m. Nobody was hurt.

Police sources said the explosion was caused by a 200-gram stick of dynamite. They said preliminary investigation provided no clue to the identity or motive of the bomber.

Last November, university authorities found and removed an unexploded charge of dynamite from one of the buildings.

While the investigating officers were examining the damage, an unknown person telephoned the university saying "Next time I will use 200 kbs of dynamite and blow up the entire university," the afternoon newspaper "Liban Al Ha" said.

Diplomats take love to heart

HELSINKI (UPI). — If Western diplomats have their way, the rocky road of romance between lovers from East and West may soon become smoother.

These diplomats, not normally given to thoughts of love in the line of duty, formally proposed this week that a European security conference "improve the conditions under which nationals (of any European nation or the U.S. and Canada) may marry nationals of other participating states."

This means that young Westerners would be able to marry their Russian sweethearts without harassment from the Kremlin.

The proposal was made as part of a Western package at the preparatory talks here for a European security conference. The Western diplomats said it was proposed partly for its eye-catching value and partly because it is a serious and recurring East-West problem.

U.S. must tell the state of his wishes

The problem usually involves a Russian; other Communist governments put fewer obstacles in the way of love.

A recent well-known case involved Judy Silver of Cincinnati and Gavriel Shapiro, a Soviet Jew. They married in Russia. Then she was expelled from the Soviet Union and only saw her husband again when a major international campaign of publicity and pressure persuaded the Kremlin to let him emigrate to Israel.

This is a far cry from the situation during the lifetime of Josef Stalin. Until the dictator died in 1953, foreigners could not get their Russian husbands or wives out of the Soviet Union at all.

Stalin's successors eased this, but things still are not simple. A Russian citizen wishing to marry a foreigner — usually a student, newspaperman or tourist in the Soviet Union — must tell the state of his wishes.

People who have gone through the ordeal say that government officials throw up a thicket of red tape, threaten the lovers with punishment to the Russian's family, pressure the Russian's parents to refuse the necessary permission, or cancel the foreigner's visa, forcing him to leave Russia.

The system is meant to discourage marriage with foreigners, and often it works. Some Russians have skirted the problem by winning hard-to-get permission for a trip abroad, then defecting.

The difficulty of leaving Russia has led to another, more cynical form of marriage. Cases are common in which a Russian married a foreigner "for his passport." Divorce in the West usually follows. Another Western proposal — for easier travel — could solve this problem.



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A WINDOW ON THE WORLD

By BENNO WEISER-VARON
WANDERING around the United Nations building in New York, I suddenly found myself at a session of the Assembly's Third Committee — the one that deals with social and humanitarian affairs. The Swedish delegate was waving his hand, asking to be recognized.

"Mr. Chairman," he began, "in view of the fact that the air conditioning system is out of action today — not that this implies any criticism of our distinguished Secretary-General — and in view of the fact that my delegation feels uncomfortably hot, I hereby propose that provision be made for a window to be opened."

The proposal caused general surprise, but the chairman who happened to be a Canadian, reacted with the presence of mind of a veteran diplomat.

"If there are no objections I will gladly grant the Swedish request."

It so happened that there was an objection.

The Indian delegate raised a hand.

"With all the respect and friendship my country feels for Sweden," he said, "India cannot support the request that has just been made. We understand perfectly that our distinguished colleague from Sweden feels a bit warm, but we who are used to much higher temperatures, find the day somewhat chilly."

The delegate from Poland was firmly on the side of Sweden, but, remembering the purpose of the Third Committee, was careful to express his support in humanitarian terms.

Neutral position

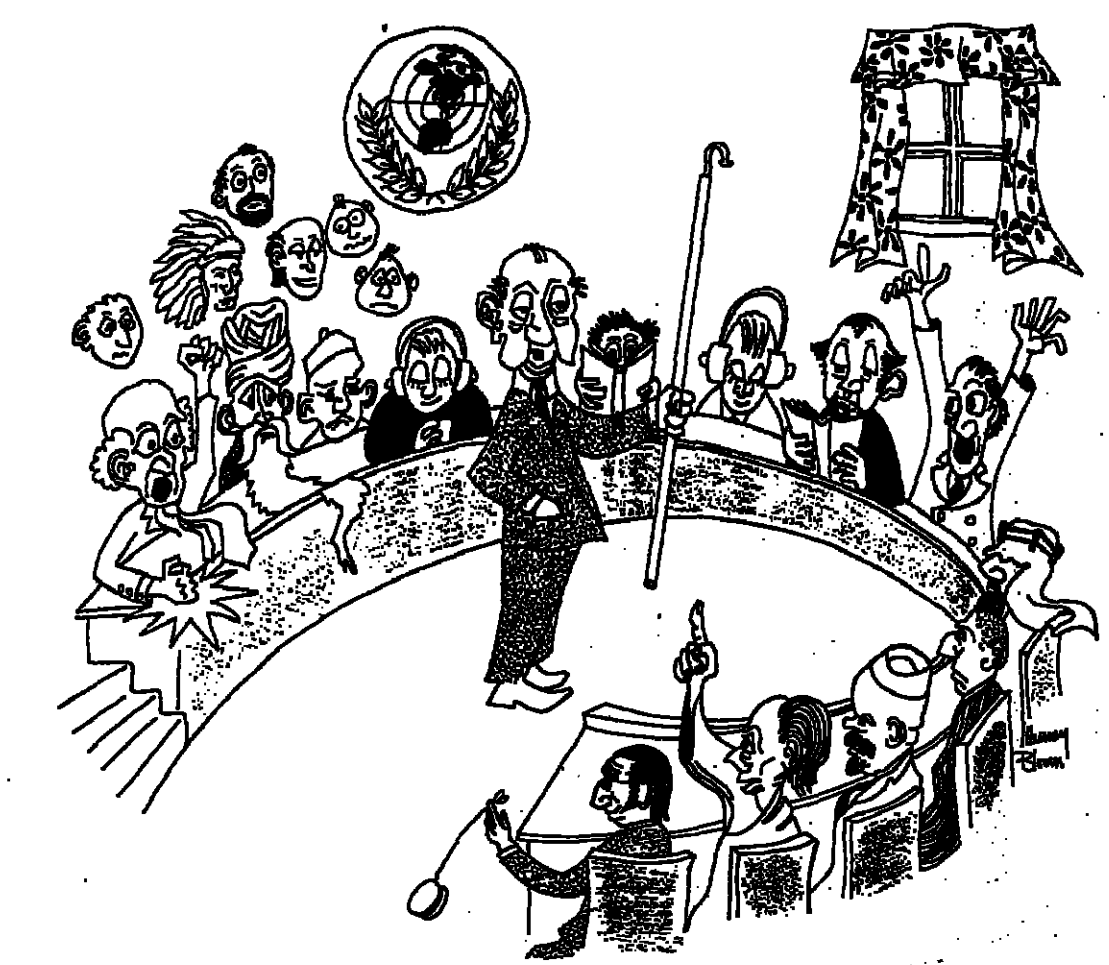
"India, because it takes a neutral position and is one of the leaders of the Third World, will always be close to our hearts. Nevertheless, I have the impression that my honorable colleague has spoken only for the Hindus who live in the tropical regions of his vast country. He has — certainly without any intention — forgotten the millions of Moslems living in the high mountains of the northern part of India, who would probably consider a day like today rather warm. I therefore support the Swedish proposal."

That made it two against one, so you one might think that the window ought to be opened. But Poland is not just one — it belongs to the Soviet bloc, which musters 11 votes, and Poland's intervention might forecast the stand of all the Communist countries. Further, if the Communists were in favour of the motion, the democracies would probably vote against it. On the other hand, Sweden is a democracy... But before the two blocs could define their respective joint attitudes, the voice of the Indonesian delegate was heard.

Gallant defence

"I appreciate the Polish delegate's defence of the magnificent warriors of the Indian mountain tribes, but I see in his intervention the interference of a Communist country in matters which pertain exclusively to the Moslem world. I congratulate the worthy representative of India on his gallant defence of our Oriental idiosyncrasies and if you, Mr. Chairman, will allow me to say so, I see no reason to hide the fact that I have just sent my chauffeur home to fetch me a sweater."

It was now the turn of the British delegate, who dealt with



'Diplomacy is the play of equilibria.'

the matter with characteristic aplomb.

"I propose the formation of a committee of investigation to examine the climatic conditions here in New York today as compared with those prevailing in the countries here represented, and I further propose that their report be presented at three o'clock this afternoon."

The proposal was accepted unanimously. One more triumph for supremely-moderate diplomatic Britain! There was a bit of bargaining and lobbying, but finally a committee was elected, with the Afro-Asians getting the presidency and two of the three vice-presidencies. The morning session was declared at an end and the delegates dispersed to their well-earned luncheon.

Lower temperature

At 3.30 — that is to say, only half an hour after the time set for the report of the committee of investigation — they reassembled. It turns out that 55 of the 132 member countries have a lower average temperature, 58 have a higher one and 16 have an average more or less the same as that of the chamber in which the Third Committee is meeting — that is 23 Centigrade or 73.4 Fahrenheit.

The secretary of the investigating committee had hardly finished reading the report when, white to the gills, the French delegate shouted "I protest! This is unheard of! The days of Yalta are gone! France has regained her grandeur. I demand that the temperatures also be given in degrees Reaumur!"

The omission was immediately corrected. Then a representative of the Latin-American bloc suggested that the members of the bloc meet over a snack next morning to decide on a unified position. At which the Cuban delegate raised his voice.

"May I call the attention of

my distinguished Latin-American colleague to the fact that while he speaks of a snack, there are millions of people in Africa, in Asia yes, even in our own Latin America, who do not know where their next meal is to come from. Our purpose here is to fight starvation, and I would ask that this damned window be opened once and for all so that we can get on with the discussion for which we assembled this morning."

The leader of the U.S. delegation decided it was time to bring matters to a head.

"Diplomacy," he declared, "is the play of equilibria. My country is inclined to vote that the window be opened, on condition that the Communist countries allow the curtain to be raised. I trust they will not object merely on the ground that the curtain is an iron one."

There was some sycophantic laughter among the Western representatives and even a few smiles among some of the uncommitted countries. But all traces of amusement disappeared as the bass voice of the Soviet delegate rumbled out:

Iron bombs

"The distinguished representative of Wall Street is aware, of course, that it is not curtains that are made of iron, but the bombs which his country's air force is dropping in such cowardly fashion on the heroic people in North Vietnam."

By now it was getting late, and there was still a long list of speakers waiting to be recognized — Belgium, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Uganda, Iraq. Meanwhile, the Guatemalan delegate was trying to mediate between two conciliatory motions, one by Honduras, the other by Panama. The first suggested that only one half of a window be opened, the second, that one window be opened for five minutes and closed for five minutes.

By 5.30 the two motions had been successfully merged into one — that half of one window be opened and closed every five minutes. At which point the Swedish delegate, who had begun the whole business, rose once again.

"In view of the fact that, since I presented my original motion, the temperature has dropped by three degrees centigrade or 5.4 degrees Fahrenheit, or — with a deep bow in the direction of the French delegation — 2.4 degrees Reaumur, and since we no longer feel the slightest bit warm — indeed, somewhat chilly I herewith withdraw my proposal that a window be opened and I thank all the distinguished delegates for the great interest they have shown in my initiative."

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Well, it wasn't exactly like that, at the U.N. session I eavesdropped on, but it might well have been.

There's more
to sleep
than just
shutting
your eyes



Recharging the batteries.

By CHRISTINE GARBUTT
LONDON (FWP). — Most people spend a third of their lives in bed. If they are lucky, they will sleep. If not, they are among the growing numbers of insomniacs who toss and turn restlessly through the night. Sleep is vital to health because it is the process by which the batteries of the body are recharged. Recent research into the subject, however, reveals there is a lot more to it than just shutting your eyes.

Experiments with volunteers have shown that there are two kinds of sleep, and we need both to keep mind and body sound. There is the "orthodox phase" into which we pass for the first hour or so. "During this time impulses to the brain slow down and 'growth hormone' is poured into the bloodstream," a doctor told me. "This helps repair and renew tissues which have become damaged in the wear and tear of life."

The second kind of sleep is known medically as the "paradoxical phase." This is the time we dream. Blood-flow to the brain increases and electrical brain waves are faster than in the other kind of sleep. "Watch a person dreaming and you may notice his eyeballs flickering behind closed lids, although the rest of his body is totally relaxed. Scientists have been able to tell the number of times volunteers dream by attaching electrodes to the eyelids. For those who cannot remember a thing when they wake up in the morning, it may come as a surprise to hear that you probably dream between 15 and 20 times during a normal night."

Psychiatrists lay great stress on the type of dreams people have, although dream interpretation is still very much in its infancy. "What is known is that dreams act



as a sort of safety valve to mental stability," said a psychiatrist. "By giving vent to the subconscious, they help release our fears and inhibitions which might otherwise rule our waking life."

So both types of sleep are necessary. One for the body, the other for the mind. Lack of either will cause drowsiness, irritability and inability to concentrate. After three or four nights without sleep most people would collapse in a state of complete physical and mental exhaustion. "That is why I am wary when patients tell me they never have a wink of sleep," a doctor told me, "for after a few nights they would hardly be able to stand up. Even during a restless night most people have more sleep than they realize."

Individual needs

Actually, occasional lack of sleep has no harmful side-effects. It is the worrying about it that does the damage. Many people are conditioned to believe they need eight hours sleep whereas they might need more or less depending on age, sex and other factors.

At an altitude of over 3,000 metres, for example, some people sleep longer. In colder regions the sleeping time needed is often less than in a moderate climate. There is a wide difference in individual needs. Some people manage on four or five hours, others need nine

hours. What does matter is that you get the amount of sleep your body requires.

A recent survey carried out on 240 men and women in Britain showed that women take less sleep than men, people fall asleep earlier as they get older but there is also a greater tendency later in life to wake during the night. In fact, the most likely people to be troubled with sleeping problems are women between the ages of 50 and 59.

That aside, however, insomniacs are nearly always people with a worrying disposition. It has nothing to do with being rich or poor, or the amount of intelligence you have. "Unfortunately too many people who sleep badly reach for pills or alcohol," claims Dr. Ian Oswald, a senior lecturer in psychiatry at Edinburgh University. "These do not induce a truly natural sleep and upset the dream pattern. Besides the effects often last until lunch time the following day, slowing down normal reflexes."

Healthy living

Healthy living is Dr. Oswald's prescription for insomnia. Cut down on the alcohol and take more exercise. "A three kilometre walk in the day should make you more sleepy at bedtime," he says. "Besides, it would be a good insurance against heart trouble."

If you are just having a restless night, however, some doctors suggest that you wake yourself up fully by getting out of bed and having a drink and even reading a book. The theory being that taking your mind off your sleeping problem is better than lying willing it to go away. Certainly it is a better idea than the old wives' cure of eating hot bolled onions. You might go off to sleep, but anybody sharing the room would probably be woken by your stomach rumblings.



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THE TALE OF TWO RUTHS

Autobiography of Ruth Dayan to be published next week in Jerusalem.

Jerusalem Post Staff
You are Moshe Dayan, you have a biography written about you, a biography of the private life, the ever turbulent, the ever shadowed public affairs. If you are Ruth, you are two persons, at least, the outside world — the wife of him and, if you are Ruth, you are well, Ruth Dayan's autobiography, called "Or did I dream a dream?" written with Helga Man, and to be published by Weidenfeld and Nicolson, in association with Stokely's agency, on January 26, is about a life divided between the two.

It was not an easy story to put down, because most of it was told before the divorce, and the story starts in Nehalal, where Ruth went from Jerusalem to become a farmer and meet the man who would become her husband. The book is a picture of a girl and a woman who grew up at a time

in Israel when continuous involvement in the Yishuv and its future were taken for granted, and were as much a part of the life of her parents as of her own. Married to Moshe, she naturally became involved in every success and every disaster of the emerging state.

In the foreword, the writers begin, "You can divorce a husband, but not a legend." The legend is present throughout the book, but so is the strong personality of Ruth herself, always remaining half mystic dreamer, half uncommonly practical in every crisis.

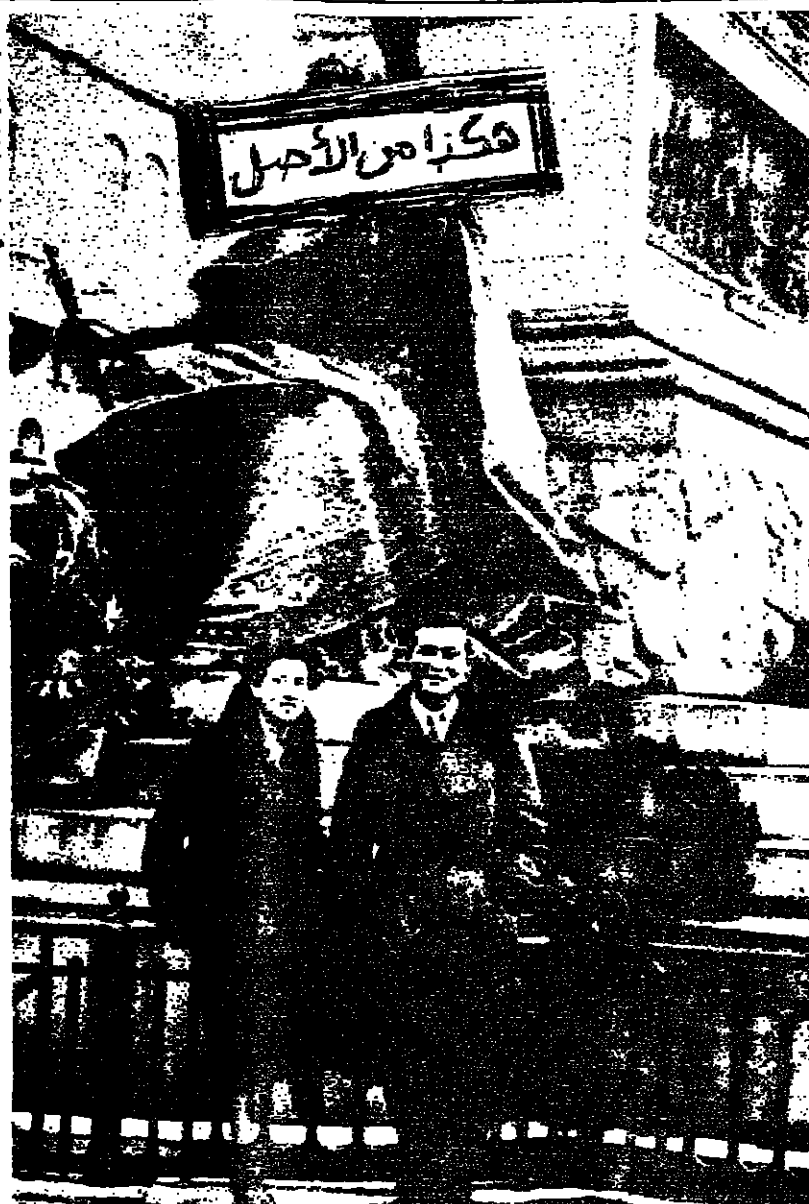
U.S. EDITION

An American edition called "And perhaps" will be published in April by Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, an English edition by Weidenfeld and Nicolson in June, and a Hebrew edition by the same firm about the same time. Extracts from the book are to be published in "Ma'ariv" and in The Jerusalem Post within the next few days.

Both titles (that of the Israeli edition and of the American book which is not entirely identical) are taken from Ruth's poem, "And perhaps these things never happened at all" which opens: "And perhaps these things never happened at all... Perhaps — it seems now — I never rose at dawn to work in the fields by the sweat of my brow," and closes with the line: "Was it real? Or did I dream a dream?"

Readers expecting to find any sensational descriptions of the Dayans' love life will be disappointed: the book records Ruth Dayan's views of Dayan as a great man in Israel's history, her devotion to him through the agonizing years of his imprisonment in Acre and the loss of his eye in the expedition into Syria, her version of their relationship. The loss of his eye was a traumatic experience for both. As for Dayan's infidelities, the first hint she had of these came to her from an Italian reporter immediately after the Suez Campaign in 1956.

One interesting revelation, little known until now, is that Ruth was officially Dayan's second wife. In 1934, he married a girl called Wilhelmina, a refugee from Germany threatened with deportation



Ruth and Moshe Dayan in Venice on their way to London in 1936. The picture is from the book, "Or did I dream a dream?" to be published in Jerusalem next week.

by the British, so as to give her the right to remain in Palestine.

The "Observer" in London this week quoted this story from the book, pointing out that even Dayan's recent biographer, Shabtai Tevet, missed it. (Of far greater interest is a collection of early letters and even some poems, by Moshe.) Ruth writes: "Moshe was not interested in marrying anybody. He had never seen Wilhelmina, who was not very attractive, spoke no word of anything but German and was ten years older than Moshe. But I thought this was all irrelevant and told Moshe it was his duty to marry her, for this was another way of building and strengthening the country." Finally Dayan agreed, from her appointment book at the time — that constitute a brief summary of the story of Ruth Dayan.

B-G's ADVICE

For long periods of time Moshe was away from Nehalal, and their subsequent homes, owing to the calls of the Hagana and then of the Israel Defense Forces. She never seems to have lost sight of the fact that he was one of Israel's greatest leaders: in fact, she quotes sadly Ben-Gurion's advice to her that great men, like Nelson and David, had to be permitted private lives different from the lives of ordinary men.

The authors describe trips together in cars, listening to the radio when a statement by the Minister of Defence suddenly filled the car. Ruth would listen to the familiar voice with thoughtful concentration, not because it was her husband but because it was Moshe Dayan. "The distinction was confusing but some-

how complete, and it simmers down the Dayan generations. When the first granddaughter was three, she once asked, "Grandpa, are you Moshe Dayan?" At about the same age, her brother announced one evening, "I want to watch television, and I want to watch Grandpa watching Moshe Dayan."

LEAVING HOME

The final chapter describes her departure from the antiquity-filled house at Zahala to set up a new home in a house in Herzliya belonging to her parents. She receives a very sad letter from a Beduin admirer of both the Dayans. The letter is quoted at the end of the book which then concludes with items from her appointment book at the time — that constitute a brief summary of the story of Ruth Dayan.

- With Masliti personnel to discuss plans for expanding our outlets in America.
- With a friend's daughter who is having romantic complications and feels I am a person she can turn to.
- With Rose, from Nazareth, who needs medical treatment at Tel Hashomer Hospital; and on another day with her mother Mary, and her grandmother from Bethlehem about employing women there to crochet for Masliti.
- With Rabbi Darsi of Jaffa about a group of Jews from Ethiopia, whose problems I saw when I visited their community in Africa; and about other projects "Beit Ruth" community centre Rabbi Darsi is building for all social groups in Jaffa.
- With a new immigrant from France who makes handicrafts.
- In Gaza with a unit of border police, mostly Druse, for the dedication of a clubhouse. Willy came with me, and we photographed Gaza's ancient weaving and pottery techniques for a book I am preparing on handicrafts. It happened that an hour and a half after I drove my car home from Gaza, a terrorist bomb was thrown on the same road at another car, killing an American nurse who worked at the Baptist hospital in Gaza and wounding the American director and his young daughter.
- With a friend, an expert in these things, to plan the garden of my new home.

A Southerner in Italy

In Redneck (Optir, Tel Aviv), Telly Savalas plays a psychopathic killer from America's South on the run from the Italian police after an unsuccessful attempt to rob a Rome jewellery shop. With him is a local criminal, Mosquito (Franco Nero) and the latter's girl friend (Elly Galleani). The three take hostage a 13-year-old upper-class English boy, played by Mark Lester of "Oliver" fame, and attempt to escape to France in a stolen car.

Tautly directed by Silvio Narizzano, this Italian-made thriller with an international cast and English dialogue holds the interest throughout, with time taken off from the chase to develop the characters of these four main protagonists.

Particularly interesting is the close relationship which grows up between Mosquito and the boy, who has been starved of parental love and sees him as a sort of father figure. The youngster gradually changes from a frightened hostage to an accomplice in the group's ef-

At the Cinema

forts to escape the police net. He even begins to accept the series of brutal killings carried out along the way by the half-crazed American. Quite well acted and with some attractive photography of the Italian countryside.

BIG GAMES IN A SMALL TOWN

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The little town of Ramle will play host to two of the major State Cup soccer matches this Saturday, with two of the favourites for the cup playing there.

Cup holders Tel Aviv Hapoel play against Ramle Betar at 2 p.m., and Jaffa Maccabi takes the field against Ramle Hapoel at 12 noon.

In the first leg of these cup matches last week the Ramle teams held the National League giants to draws on their home grounds.

Ramle Hapoel, which gained promotion from "B" League to "A" League this season, pulled off a real upset in holding Jaffa Maccabi to a 1:1 last week. But it would be more than optimistic to expect them to complete the giantkiller act and oust Jaffa Maccabi from the cup race.

Ramle Betar would appear more likely to shock again this week, as Tel Aviv Hapoel is playing well below its best in the last few weeks. However, Sportoto players would be inviting trouble by not marking an away win for Tel Aviv Hapoel. After all, the Hapoel team includes Feigenbaum, Hazum, and Mordikowitz, all matchwinners on their day.

A much harder task is in store for last year's finalists Jerusalem Hapoel, who return to the Capital with a 2:0 deficit to make up on Ramat Amichai Maccabi. They badly need the return of Eli Ben Rimov as the Hapoel attack last week could make little impression on Ramat Amichai, playing without their stars Peretz and Peiz. Fighting to close the gap may enable Jerusalem Hapoel to win the return match, though I would not bet on the Jerusalem side reaching the next round.

TO DO LIST

Another National League team that looks even less likely to remain in the competition after this Saturday is Beersheba Hapoel, playing at home to Holon Hapoel. The Holon eleven won the first leg 3:1. Beersheba will probably attack from the whistle in a determined effort to reduce the two-goal gap, and though a Negev win looks likely it may not be by the desired margin.

Haifa Maccabi, held to a 0:0 draw by Acre Hapoel in Haifa last

week, will have to pull out all the stops. Faced with this challenge, it seems likely that Haifa Maccabi will succeed especially as Acre Hapoel has a poor home ground record in League "A" this season. Football pool punters looking for the surprise result may do worse than mark a home win for Yahud Hapoel over Jerusalem Betar, who won 7:0 last week. Yahud's form was too bad to be true and a return to anything like its normal football could make hard going for Betar, which has had a poor away record in the National League this season.

Another "A" League team capable of surprising is Ramat Gan Hapoel, which lost 2:0 to Tel Aviv Maccabi at Bloomfield last week. At the smaller Givatayim ground Tel Aviv Maccabi's style may be cramped, and a draw looks a distinct possibility.

Only 10 coupons had all 12 State Cup games marked correctly, each line being worth IL25,000. However, one punter filled in 10 lines, five of them all exactly the same with 13 correct results. The man, from Bat Yam, will collect IL 125,000.

Some 300 coupons had 12 correct results each worth IL265, and 11 results will benefit to the tune of IL20 each. There will not be a dividend for 10 results.

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END OF TRIP

MRS. Golda Meir, Israel's flying Premier, was entitled to the warmest of welcomes on her return from Europe last night.

Her forthright defence of Israel's needs, and what has plainly been her explanation of the limitations placed on Israel's moves towards peace as long as our Arab neighbours threaten war and encourage terrorism, will undoubtedly leave their mark. The effectiveness of her presentation has to some extent been demonstrated by the sharp irritation of the French establishment with Mrs. Meir's visit, balanced by the warmth of individual French leaders; and even more by the defensive verbal text put out by the Vatican spokesman after what was obviously a successful talk with the Pope.

If the talk had not been successful, it could more easily have been glossed over, and would not have needed the hostile denial that has since been so sharply criticized in the Italian press.

The last of her three points of call, Geneva, where she went at the suggestion of President Houphouët-Boigny of the Ivory Coast, provided an opportunity to continue a long-standing friendship. The President had already found an opportunity to

tell Israel that by no means is all of Africa aligned with those states that have suddenly broken off relations with Israel, several of them at the bidding of Libya's Colonel Gaddafi, and with a modest bonus from Libya's oil wealth to encourage them.

President Houphouët-Boigny is an uncommon figure in Africa, for his long period of rule has been untroubled by violent opposition, and he enjoys great popular support. He has thus been enabled to carry out the reform and development projects that can only be the fruit of stable rule. In some of these fields Israel has been able to assist with expert knowledge.

The links between the two countries go beyond such practical matters. President Houphouët-Boigny learnt his political skills in France, and is a shrewd observer of political trends but without forgetting that Africa is a world of its own that cannot accept every European style blindly. Thus he can see also that Israel is different again in its own way, in short, that we need not all copy even the greatest of the Western nations, but must seek our own way to survival and growth.

One may hope that he gave Mrs. Meir good and useful advice on how best to further our relations with other African states, as a very valuable return for technical advice that Israel has been able to give in the past. In any case it is clear that he is less afraid than the Vatican of choosing his own friends or of saying what he thinks.

ITALIAN PRESS CRITICAL OF VATICAN ATTITUDE

'BRAVO COMRADE!'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent: **ROME.** — The Italian press has given considerable prominence to the meeting on Monday between Prime Minister Golda Meir and the Pope and the statement issued after the meeting by the Vatican spokesman, Prof. Alessandrini.

Turin's independent daily "La Stampa" yesterday described the meeting as a "diplomatic incident."

"La Stampa" said the "verbal statement" the Vatican released after the audience was "lily offensive" to Israel.

The Vatican's blunt statement "brushed off the meeting as an episode which did not influence in the least the Pope's policy on the Middle East and the Holy Places."

The statement, "La Stampa" said, described Mrs. Meir as a "beggar for an audience granted unwillingly and deprived of political significance."

"It made it clear that relations between the Holy See and the Arab world are closer (than those with Israel) and are warm toward Egypt and Syria" while the Vatican insists in denying official recognition to Israel.

It described the Palestinian refugees as a "weak and defenceless community without adding a single word of deploration for terrorism."

"La Stampa" said the statement could be justified only by thinking that the Roman Catholic Church "is worried about Christian communities in the Moslem world, is afraid of persecutions."

"For what other country would the Vatican spokesman have used such an icy and almost scornful tone?" the paper asked.

The authoritative "Corriere della Sera" the importance of that "historical meeting" lies in the fact that it took place, rather than in its contents. The positions of both sides, in fact, "have remained distant."

The meeting had a positive aspect, the opening of a dialogue, which previous meetings like the Pope's handshake with the Israeli Ministers in 1964, or the audience of Mr. Abba Eban in 1969 did not have.

Other papers are indignant at the "verbal note" the Vatican correspondent of the rightist "Il Tempo" points to the great value of the meeting, because "it clarified — beyond any doubt



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the respective positions and the hopes of both sides. Even if they are not identical... this does not prejudice the comprehension and the agreement that exists between the Holy See and Israel that began with the journey of Paul VI to the Holy Land."

But an unsigned editorial note starts with irony: "We were accustomed to admire Vatican diplomacy. The Church has even been for centuries the great master of diplomacy... but the note of Prof. Alessandrini could not have been harsher, more violent and brutal... there is no document in the more recent Vatican history, drier and graver than this."

The important "La Nazione" writes of a "cold shower for Israeli diplomacy, which had counted highly on this visit, and not without reason." It surveys the development of the Vatican's

stand towards the question of Jerusalem, pointing out that it has changed considerably, mentioning the heavy attacks because of the alleged "Judaization" of Jerusalem in the Vatican press organs in 1971.

"It would have been an exchange of opinions of more incisive significance — also in view of the planned visit by Mrs. Meir to Nixon, who has pledged to dedicate his second term to the solution of the Middle East question," the "Nazione" continues, "if the Vatican had not reduced its value with a comment that doubtless pleases the Arab world."

The Communist "Paese Sera," while playing up Prof. Alessandrini's verbal note, gives an objective account of Mrs. Meir's press conference. The "Voce Repubblicana" blames "pressure by the Arab states" for the Vatican statement.

Beirut papers praise Pope

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Pope Paul's attitude on Prime Minister Golda Meir's visit to the Vatican was praised yesterday by the Lebanese press, which also called on the Arab states to step up diplomatic activity in support of their cause.

Remarks by the Vatican spokesman after the audience on Monday between Pope Paul VI and Mrs. Meir, made clear that the Pope had in no way changed his position towards Israel over its policies towards Jerusalem and the Holy Places in Israel.

"Al-Lewa" said the Arabs naturally did not support or welcome the internationalization of Jerusalem, which they considered should be returned to them. (An official communiqué after the meeting said that the Pope spoke of the "universal character" of Jerusalem.)

"But this does not prevent us from welcoming the attitude adopted by the Vatican towards Golda Meir and towards Israel's demand for the recognition of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel," it added.

The paper said the Pope could also exert his influence on the U.S. to bring about a settlement of the Middle East crisis.

"Al-Hayat" said the outcome of the visit between Pope Paul and Mrs. Meir should consolidate the Arabs' faith in the victory of their cause sooner than had been hoped, even by moderate Arab politicians.

"But this depends on the Arabs exerting doubled efforts in order to acquire the various powers — big and small — with the facts of the case and the facts of Israel's creation as a state and its expansionist, aggressive methods," the paper added.

The important feature of the Vatican's attitude, "Al-Anwar" said, was its "departure for the first time from the reserve which had characterized its official statements and its exposure of Israel lies in an unprecedented manner."

The Vatican had asserted its interest not only in Jerusalem, as a city containing the Holy Places, but also its concern for the Palestinian refugees "whose displacement it considers a brand of shame for mankind," the paper said.

It added that Israel knew that the brand was of its own making together with the U.S.

"Unfortunately, the meeting was an achievement for Israeli diplomacy which was able to get the Vatican to receive its first official at the level of Prime Minister since 1948," it added.

FOREIGN PRESS

'Israel suspects France behind breaks in Africa ties'

Israel suspects that France is behind the breaking-off of relations with Israel by five African states, The Times of London said in an editorial yesterday. The paper commented:

"The Israelis suspect that French diplomacy is behind these developments, since the last four 'defections' have all been from French-speaking Africa. But there may be more to it than that."

"Although the technical assistance they gave in the early independent state of these nations was clearly much appreciated and has been sustained at a level of 300 Israeli experts dispersed throughout Africa, the Israelis probably cannot now match the level of Arab assistance provided by the cash grants offered by Colonel Mu'ammer Gaddafi."

"There is also the point that most African governments' sympathies lie naturally with the resistance movements in Southern Africa, and it is a short step from there to a position where they also sympathize with the resistance movements to Israel's continued occupation of Arab lands."

"This is an emotional, rather than a logical connection, but it may make it harder for the Israelis to convince their African friends that their occupation policy is the right one."

OUR Arab expert came in all excited. "Hold everything," he said, "maybe there is going to be a murder in Tripoli." It was during the visit there last week of Egypt's President Sadat. He showed us a photo of a front-page picture in a Libyan newspaper in which Colonel Gaddafi was wearing the traditional white robe and turban covering the whole head except for the eyes to



receive Sadat at his palace. Gaddafi had failed to meet his distinguished guest at the airport because he had 'flu, so he may only have been keeping warm. Ordinarily, the costume he wore is that used by the Tuareg tribes of southern Libya when they go out on raids, because it makes it difficult to recognize anyone wrapped up like that. He need not be frightened of Sadat; but if it had been this week he might have been worried lest Gaddafi had decided to join the party at the last moment, with a couple of home truths tucked away in her handbag.

A FAIRLY new immigrant — from England, we would guess — writes that he finds some Israeli customs puzzling. On a trip back to Jerusalem from Tel Aviv he and

a friend decided to stop for something to eat at one of the roadside steak bars. The friend ordered steak in a pitta and coffee. The waiter asked whether he wanted "white" or "red" meat. "White," the friend decided. When our new comer asked the meaning of this mysterious term, he was told rather shamefacedly that "white meat" is the socially acceptable term for pork. When the order arrived the coffee was black, and the friend asked for some milk to put in it. Then the outraged waiter demanded to know whether he was ignorant of the fact that in Israel milk is never served with a meal dish? The friend dutifully apologized.

A WOMAN subscriber from Mt. Carmel called our Haifa Office circulation department to cancel her subscription. The man in charge asked whether the service was unsatisfactory. "My paper has been stolen every day for the past 10 days," she answered. It was suggested that the paper could be put in a less conspicuous place. She replied that she had already tried to fetch her paper very early, but had found her letterbox empty. She then placed a cardboard sign over the letterbox with the legend: "Mr. Thief, are 55 ag. worth while your earning this title?" to which she promptly found the thief's reply: "They certainly are, pennies grow into pounds!"

SO it snowed again in Jerusalem. A lot of people were cold, a few were also hungry, and many had to walk unaccompanied distances, fraternizing on the way with

fellow Polar explorers. Many people were without electricity, and candles will not work the TV, leaving them doubly deprived. Some people found they had a feeble kind of electricity that would not light fluorescent lamps though ordinary bulbs glowed with a feeble brownish light, and TV faces were distorted into monstrous caricatures. There were also special hardships. One man we know had a large tree fall across a small car and literally root it to the spot. A woman who had no bread decided to roll up her sleeves and bake some rolls. The delicious smell of baking bread brought in the



neighbours, but she was out of practice and the rolls were a bit heavy, and gave them all the most terrible indigestion. Finally, a woman who disappears of black market practices went to a certain greengrocer known to sell eggs for vitamins for her family to keep out the cold. As she emerged with two full trays of eggs she slipped on the snow and all the 60 eggs shot up in the air. They absolutely ruined the clean white snow all around.

Today's contributors include A.S. and H.M. Selzer, Jerusalem, and A. Singer, Haifa.

KEEPING POSTED

Readers' letters HOUSING FOR SINGLES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — In just two more months, I will have finished the Hebrew ulpan here and will be faced with finding employment and lodgings for myself. The employment should not be difficult at all, because I have a skill, but an apartment — that's something else!

I am a new immigrant from the U.S. and I am just beginning to soak in that fact that I am single causes me to suffer discrimination in housing. What is even harder to swallow is that the representative who arranged for and aided in my immigration told me that I would have no trouble whatsoever in obtaining government-assisted housing.

The representative of the Agency who comes to our ulpan is no help either. He just leaned back in his chair, flashed a toothy grin and droned ominously: "No wife, no apartment."

Is this where it all ends? Please help me and those like me who want more for ourselves than to return from work each day to a furnished room somewhere, while storage costs on our personal effects continue to mount.

GIDON CASPI
Ulpan Kibbutz Gvar-Am,
November 5.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I wonder whether you or the Government are aware of the plight of living conditions of singles like me, who have jobs in the central part of the country.

It is high time the Government stops compelling singles to go to developing areas, or get married, just to be in line with their rules. Also, the loan given to singles for the purchase of apartments is, under present conditions, nominal.

I also wish to quote a part from a report presented to the Board of Governors of the Jewish Agency, which was published in your paper of September 8. "The proportion of single people in the total immigration was 35 per cent in 1970 and 28.5 per cent in 1971... The lack of small housing units may be an important factor in the decrease in the immigration of single persons, particularly from the West."

The time has come for someone to sit up and not only think but act and set things right, now, for the 20,000 uncared for, dissatisfied, desperate singles who are treated like second-class citizens.

DANIEL ABRAHAM
Lod, November 5.

Ministry of Absorption replies: The housing situation in Israel is difficult today for many sections of the population, including new immigrants. In view of the large numbers of immigrants arriving in the country and the fact that the rate of building is slower than the rate of immigration, we are forced to provide housing solutions which are not ideal for singles, as well as to families. These solutions include sending immigrant families to their relatives' homes,

evacuating absorption centres and importing caravans from abroad.

It is not surprising that, under these circumstances, we must follow a scale of priorities based on the principle that the size of the family determines the size of the flat.

I wish to add that it is absurd to claim that there is a policy of discrimination against single immigrants, as can be seen from the following proposals which are made to them:

1. One room in a flat shared by three or four immigrants. The Ministry of Absorption contributes up to IL100 a month or 50 per cent of the rent in the first year, IL65 or 33 per cent in the second year, and IL50 or 25 per cent in the third year.

2. A mortgage of IL15,000 on a flat which costs between IL80,000 and IL100,000.

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4. An immigrant flat in a development area which the single can either rent or purchase on easy terms.

I wish to point out once more none the less offer satisfactory solutions, yet it cannot be denied that, under present circumstances, we none the less offer satisfactory solutions to the housing problem of singles.

PNINA PARNES,
Assistant Spokesman,
Jerusalem, December 31.

Warning! new immigrants!

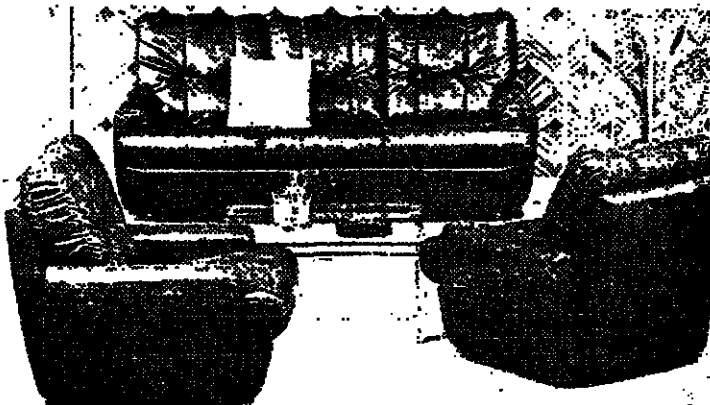
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